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For

PHENYLSULFONYL UREAS, PROCESS FOR THEIR

PREPARATION AND THEIR USE AS HERBICIDES AND

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FORWARDING ABSTRACT

Mail Stop Missing Parts Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination and issuance of the first Office Action of the above-identified application, and responsive to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed on April 15, 2004, a copy of which is submitted herewith, please amend the application as follows, without prejudice:

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